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House Resolution 854

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110th, Scott of the 153rd, O'Neal of the 146th, Houston of the 170th, Meadows of the 5th, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Georgia *Reader's Digest* National Word Power Challenge two-time state
- 2 champion Billy Dorminy and recognizing the Houston County Joint Certified Literate
- 3 Community Program and its director, Robert Getter; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, Billy Dorminy, a home educated student from McDonough, Henry County,
- 5 outscored more than 4,000 other students to win top honors at Georgia's state Word Power
- 6 competition for the second year in a row; and
- 7 WHEREAS, this intelligent young man will again represent the state at the national
- 8 competition held at Disney World near Orlando, Florida, as the Georgia representative; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Word Power is the premier nation-wide vocabulary competition for middle
- school students and is sponsored by the Reader's Digest Association; and
- 11 WHEREAS, the mission of Houston County Joint Certified Literate Community Program
- 12 is to increase the literacy levels of all people in Georgia, and this competition inspires
- 13 literacy excellence; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Robert Getter is the executive director of the Houston County Joint Certified
- 15 Literate Community Program and the coordinator for the Georgia state Word Power
- 16 Challenge; and
- 17 WHEREAS, for Billy Dorminy's tremendous performance in state-wide competition and in
- 18 the 2004 national competition and his selection to represent the State of Georgia again in the
- 19 2005 national competition, it is wholly fitting and proper that this fine young scholar be
- appropriately recognized.
- 21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 22 the members of this body commend Georgia Reader's Digest National Word Power

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1 Challenge state champion Billy Dorminy; recognize his selection to represent this state as

- 2 both the 2004 and 2005 Georgia Word Power champion; and express their best wishes for
- 3 future success and victory as he prepares to participate in the national competition as well
- 4 as expressing their thanks to the Houston County Joint Certified Literate Community
- 5 Program and its director, Robert Getter, for encouraging the pursuit of literacy state wide.
- 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 7 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to each of the individuals named
- 8 herein and to the Houston County Joint Certified Literate Community Program.